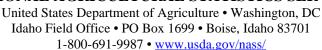


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September 1 Grain Stocks

Idaho's September 1 wheat stocks in all positions totaled 72.7 million bushels, down 1 percent from the 73.8 million bushels in storage September 1, 2004. According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, on-farm storage of 32.0 million bushels is down 16 percent from the 38.0 million bushels in storage a year ago. Off-farm stocks, of 40.7 million bushels, are up 14 percent from a year ago. Barley stocks in all positions September 1 totaled 56.6 million bushels, up 14 percent from last year's 49.7 million bushels. On-farm stocks totaled 29.0 million bushels, up 4 percent from a year ago when 28.0 million bushels were in storage. Off-farm stocks totaled 27.6 million bushels, up 27 percent from 2004's 21.7 million bushels.

Nationally, all wheat stocks in all positions September 1, 2005, totaled 1.92 billion bushels, down 1 percent from September 1, 2004. Stocks on farms, at 719 million bushels, are down 9 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks totaled 1.20 billion bushels, up 4 percent from last year. Barley stored in all positions on September 1, 2005, totaled 251 million bushels, 13 percent below the stocks of September 1, 2004. Of the total barley stocks on hand, 137 million are stored on farms, 22 percent less than a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 114 million bushels, are down 1 percent from a year ago. Oats stored in all positions on September 1, 2005, totaled 113 million bushels, 2 percent below September 1, 2004. Of the total oat stocks on hand, 71.2 million bushels were stored on farms, 4 percent less than a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 41.8 million bushels. Corn stored in all positions on September 1, 2005, totaled 2.11 billion bushels, up 120 percent from September 1, 2004. Of the total stocks, 821 million bushels were stored on farms, 87 percent more than last year. Off-farm stocks, at 1.29 billion bushels, are up 148 percent from last year.

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